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EXPLORE OUR INTERACTIVE WATER WISE GARDENING WEBSITE

Looking for design ideas for your landscape? Want to find that perfect accent plant or tree? Explore our interactive water wise gardening website to peruse local gardens and create a plant list.

Check out **www.SaveWaterSB.org** and click on Virtual Garden Tours and Plant Database where you can find a wealth of useful information, including:

- Extensive database with searchable information on over 1,000 water wise plants
- More than 300 photos grouped into garden tours and garden galleries, all from private and public local gardens countywide
- Helpful facts, resources, and guidance on garden design and practices

This new tool allows you to search for plants and trees based on size, color, degree of shade, soil type, and blooming season. Plants can also be selected for California natives, fire-wise plants, plants under oaks, lawn alternatives, and more! Add plants to your plant list and print it out to bring to nurseries. When searching through the gardens on the website, click on the plants you are interested in to get a full description of its features and care. You can also add gardens to your garden list for design ideas that you would like to incorporate.



Screen shot of a garden gallery on the website. Click on the boxes to learn more about each plant

Start searching today! If you intend to update your landscaping to one that is more water wise, you may be eligible for a rebate. For more information, visit **www.SaveWaterSB.org** or call 564-5460.



COUNCIL ADOPTS ANNUAL BUDGET

The City Council adopted the Fiscal Year 2013 Budget, which took effect on July 1. The budget includes funding to reopen the Central Library on Mondays, while adjusting library hours to close at 7 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Funding has been sustained for the Restorative Policing Program that assists homeless individuals in the Downtown, Waterfront, and Milpas corridors to achieve self-sufficiency. Funds have also been budgeted for the Rental Housing Mediation Task Force to continue mediation services in rental housing disputes between tenants and landlords. For more information, visit www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov.

Recognize and Report Water Pollution

Pollutants in our vards and on our streets (like oil, paint, litter, wash water, cement) can quickly be blown or washed into storm drains, which flow directly into our creeks and ocean untreated.

Help protect local water quality by reporting pollution in our streets, storm drains, and creeks to the Creeks Division Enforcement Hotline at (805) 897-2688.





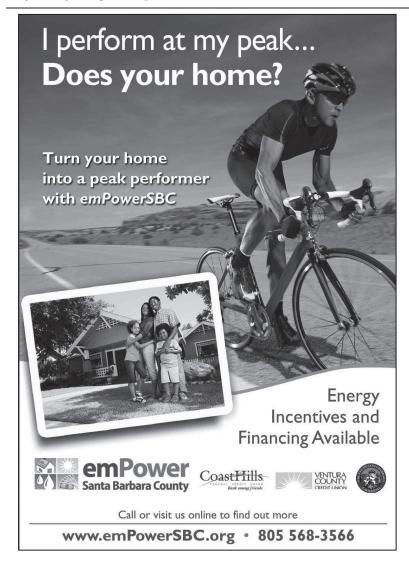
FLY NON-STOP TO PORTLAND

Alaska Airlines is operating a non-stop seasonal service between Santa Barbara (SBA) and Portland (PDX).

"We are thrilled to see non-stop service to Portland from our Airport. Portland is now just a quick drive to SBA and one short flight away" said Assistant Airport Director Hazel Johns. Book a flight today and enjoy the short two-hour ride from SBA to PDX on Alaska Airlines' CRJ700. The seasonal service continues through August 25.

PARKING AT THE AIRPORT

Prepare for your summer travels and arrive a little bit earlier to the Airport this year due to the final phase of construction for the Airline Terminal Project. For EASY access, take advantage of the FREE shuttle that takes you directly to the terminal from Long Term Parking Lot 2. If you don't mind a short walk, park in Long Term Parking Lot 1. With 5 major airlines, 6 non-stop departures, and over 200 onestops to anywhere in the world you want to fly, Santa Barbara Airport is just plane easy. Book your flights today!



FREE SUMMER FUN WITH THE CITY!

Thursday Night Concerts 6-8:30 p.m. • Chase Palm Park

Join us at Chase Palm Park on Thursday evenings for FREE concerts. Bring your friends, family, a picnic and your dancing shoes!

- July 5 Doo-Wah Riders
- July 12 Captain Cardiac & the Coronaries
- July 19 Hot Club Sandwich
- July 26 Upstream
- August 9 Summer of Rock!
- August 16 Sqt. Pepper

Visit www.SBParksAndRecreation.com for more information.

Friday Night Movies

Movies begin at dusk • Stearns Wharf

Check out the FREE Friday Night Movie series for the whole community to enjoy. Join us under the stars!

- August 31 Shark Tale
- September 7 Journey 2: The Mysterious Island
- September 14 Overboard
- September 21 Zookeeper

Dress warmly and bring your blankets and beach chairs. Popcorn and movie snacks will be available for purchase. Parking on the wharf is free after 7 p.m.

Visit www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/WharfMovies for more information.